

Marlene Dorch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex parte Communication in the Matter of Report and Order and
Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Telecommunications Relay
Services and Speech to Speech for Persons with Hearing and Speech
Disabilities
(Cc docket No. 98-67)

Dear Madam Secretary:

This letter documents a meeting with FCC staff dated November 7,
2002 held at Commission headquarters in Washington, DC regarding
Speech to Speech technology (STS) for persons with speech
disabilities. This letter is submitted as an ex parte
communications in the above captioned proceeding, and is filed
pursuant to Sec. 1.1206 of the Commission Rules.

In addition to myself, the following FCC staff attended the
meeting: Thomas Chandler, Cheryl King, Susan Magnotti, Roger Hertz,
June Taylor, Amelia Brown, and Scott Marshall.

Following the placing of a demonstration phone call using STS and
the screening of a brief video on the same subject, I discussed the
critical need of effective outreach to potential users of STS.
State money is either nonexistent or insufficient for such
outreach, and I urged the Commission to authorize use of TRS funds
for this purpose.

Very truly yours:

Bob Segalman, Ph.D., Founder
Speech to Speech